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## NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Final Office Action of the examiner dated April 12, 2006, which set a three month period for reply. The fee for this Notice of Appeal is \$500 under 37 C.F.R. Authorization is hereby given to charge the required fees or any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-2480 in the name of The Procter & Gamble Company. The Applicant respectfully notes that it is submitting an Amendment after the above-identified Final Office Action, to present the rejected claims in better form for consideration on appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

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